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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW, Portals Washington, DC 20554

RE: <u>Recommendation of the Independent Panel Reviewing the Impact of Hurricane</u> Katrina on Communications Networks, EB Docket No. 06-119

<u>Petition of Verizon for Special Temporary Authority and Waiver to Support Disaster Planning and Response, WC Docket No. 06-63</u>

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 27, 2007, Paul Brigner and Josh Swift from Verizon met with Nicholas Alexander, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Tate, to urge prompt Commission action on the Independent Panel's recommendations and the continuation of Verizon's special temporary authority for disaster planning.¹ The discussion was limited to issues addressed in Verizon's petition and other filings in the referenced proceedings.

If you have any questions about this matter or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

cc: Nicholas Alexander

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¹ Petition of BellSouth Corporation for Special Temporary Authority and Waiver To Support Disaster Planning and Response, Order, WC Docket No. 06-63, DA 06-1251 (rel. June 9, 2006).